

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

In the Matter of the Docket for)
HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC (HECO))
re: Integrated Resource Planning)
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PUC Docket 03-0253

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RESPONSE TO HECO'S MOTION
FOR AMENDMENT TO PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

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Aloha Commissions,

Integrated Resource Planning ("IRP") is a process whereby a utility, in this case Hawaiian Electric Company ("HECO"), lays out a 20-year Master Plan and a 5-year Action Plan to guide -- but not mandate -- future utility activity.

In 2003, the Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") issued Order No. 20430 opening up HECO's third IRP docket ("IRP-3"). On October 28, 2005, HECO filed its IRP Report with the Commission.

The other two parties in the docket are the Consumer Advocate ("CA") and Life of the Land ("LOL").

On June 15, 2006, the Commission issued Order No. 22533: "HECO, the Consumer Advocate, and LOL meet informally to determine the issues, procedures, and schedule with respect to this proceeding, to be set forth in a stipulated prehearing order that shall be submitted for commission approval within thirty days from the date of this Order." (page 5)

HECO requested 6 time extensions on July 14, July 28, August 1, August 25, September 29, and October 31, 2006. The Commission granted the first five. Instead of accepting the sixth, the Commission developed and adopted the Issues and the Schedule for the docket.

HECO has now requested a 7th extension. HECO filed the request with the Commission one day prior to the date the Commission required them to file their Testimonies and Exhibits.

We have gone along with many of HECO's time delaying requests, even though they have opposed several of our Motions to Intervene in various dockets, charging that we will delay the proceedings -- something that has never occurred.

But seven delaying requests is going overboard. We request that the Commission deny HECO's latest request.

Among the critical issues that need addressing in HECO IRP-3 is externalities. As part of the Stipulation closing HECO IRP-2, "the parties agree that concerns raised with respect to the [Hawaii] Externalities Workbook ... can be appropriately addressed in HECO's next IRP cycle." (Order 20430, page 2)

Life of the Land looks forward to meaningful discussion of externalities. The issue of implementation of externalities, including climate change impacts, and life cycle (cradle-to-grave) analysis need to be developed, debated, argued, and then put forth before the Commission.

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I hereby certify that I have filed a copy of the foregoing Response to HECO's Motion to Amend Procedural Schedule upon the following parties by mailing a copy to each of the parties listed below, and an email copy was sent to the Commission and to each party listed below. These two actions occurred early on Wednesday, January 31, 2007.

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